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SUBJECT: ADNAN PACHACHI IS BAGHDAD BOUND

¶1. (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba  
for reasons 1.5 (B) and (D).

¶2. (S) Former Iraqi foreign minister Adnan Pachachi  
contacted the Ambassador over the local weekend  
with the news that he will be flying into Baghdad  
on Tuesday, May 6 aboard a UAE Air Force C-130 with  
a small group of his supporters. MFA Minstate  
Hamdan bin Zayid and Armed Forces Chief of Staff  
Shaykh Muhammad bin Zayid separately told the  
Ambassador that the UAEG is supporting the  
establishment of an office for Pachachi in Baghdad

and providing him with security, until he has set-up his own Iraqi security detail.

¶3. (S) Comment: Pachachi believes he has much to contribute in the evolving dialogue on the future Iraqi government. The octogenarian statesman has spent the last several weeks touring various Arab capitals briefing leaders, including Hosni Mubarak and King Abdullah, on his vision, and soliciting their advice. Here in Abu Dhabi, where he has resided with his wife since the early 1970s, Pachachi has been hosting informal diwans where Iraqi expats of all stripes have been airing their concerns about the current state of affairs and presenting suggestions on how to shape the new government. For the Emiratis, Pachachi's moderation, his message of inclusion and his strong pan-Arab credentials are an important balance to what they view as the alarming emergence of Shi'a sectarianism coupled with signs of Iranian meddling in Iraqi affairs. End Comment.

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